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In Reply, Please Refer To: **Anthony J. Baerlocher**

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Title: **GAMING DEVICE HAVING AN AWARD DISTRIBUTOR AND AN AWARD ACCUMULATOR BONUS GAME**

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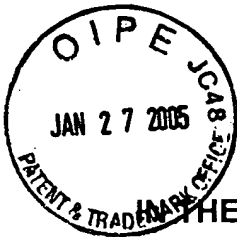
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

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REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2005. No fees are due with this Response. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for any insufficiency or credit for any overpayment.

In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, which required applicant to elect one of the following:

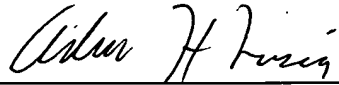
- Species 1: Specification, page 24, lines 25-27 (claims 8, 39, 55 and 78) drawn to associating awards with the selections at the beginning of a game.
- Species 2: Specification, page 24, lines 18-20 (claims 9, 40, 56 and 79) drawn to associating awards with the selections after the selection is picked.

Applicant hereby elects Species 1: Specification, page 24, lines 25-27 (claims 8, 39, 55 and 78) without traverse, for examination on the merits.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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